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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE THE ADMINISTRATOR, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

THE ADMINISTRATOR, NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

THE ADMINISTRATOR, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT:

National Communications System (NCS)

This Administration has placed increased emphasis on strategic force mobilization, national security telecommunications, mobilization planning, and emergency preparedness, which has resulted in a considerably more active role for the NCS in developing and implementing national telecommunications plans and programs. These activities, plus the heavy NCS involvement in the Emergency Mobilization Preparedness Board, have placed a heavy burden on the resources of the NCS.

While recognizing the austere fiscal and personnel environment faced by the Federal Government, we can ill afford not to put emphasis on supporting the NCS, which is, in real terms, our system. As a first step, I would appreciate it if each of you, on a priority basis, would fill all staff positions that your agency has previously established by memoranda of understanding with the Executive Agent, NCS.

As a second step, please consider increasing your support to the NCS in the areas of committee and task force membership, NCS Emergency Management Teams, and your own internal programs supporting our national telecommunications objectives. Your additional support would balance the increased commitment already made by DOD, would ensure that all agency views are fully represented, and would greatly assist General Hilsman in fulfilling the NCS responsibility to the White House.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

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William P. Clark

The Manager, National Communications System

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